

**PHYSICAL THERAPY AFFILIATED CREDENTIALING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MADISON, WISCONSIN
MAY 7, 2002**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Otto Cordero, PT; Barbara Flaherty, PT; Laurie Kontney, PT

EXCUSED: Shirley Mook

STAFF PRESENT: Deanna Zychowski, Wayne Austin, Grace Schwingel,
Barb Showers, and Claudia Berry

GUESTS: Ron Hermes, WPTA
Jim Greenwald, Chiropractic Board

CALL TO ORDER

Otto Cordero called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. A quorum of 3 members was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Barbara Flaherty moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to approve the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 2002.

MOTION: Barbara Flaherty moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to approve the minutes of March 5, 2002, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPUTY SECRETARY GREG HORSTMAN

Deputy Secretary, Greg Horstman, addressed the board on behalf of Secretary Oscar Herrera. Deputy Secretary, Greg Horstman gave an overview of the Department's reorganization, discussed the board member workshop on June 25th, and reviewed budget constraints the state is facing. There was a discussion of the Physical Therapy Bill, AB 615; some components of the bill are already in effect while other components of the bill will go into effect on April 25, 2004. Greg Horstman answered questions from board members regarding a fee increase. It was noted that a public member is needed for the Board to be fully staffed.

PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED STIPULATIONS

There were no stipulations to present.

**REPORTS ON PENDING COURT CASES, DISCIPLINARY CASES AND
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

These reports were informational.

PRACTICE QUESTIONS

The Board discussed a letter that was received from Rebecca Mallow, PT inquiring about the use of collaborative practice protocols in the hospital setting.

MOTION: Barbara Flaherty moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to authorize Legal Counsel, Wayne Austin to draft a letter for the Chair's signature to be viewed by the Board, in response to the letter from Rebecca Mallow. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board also discussed various aspects of the continuing education issue and expressed an interest in finding out what standards other states are requiring for continuing education.

The Board discussed a letter that was received from Thomas Wallis about whether or not physical therapists are authorized to write a Return To Work Release for employees to return to work. Letter re PT's can sign a return to work release. There is no prohibition preventing a physical therapist from writing a Return To Work Release for an employee.

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to authorize Legal Counsel, Wayne Austin, to draft a letter for the Chair's signature, in response to the letter from Thomas Wallis. Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED LANGUAGE RELATING TO THE NUMBER OF TIMES AN APPLICANT MAY BE REEXAMINED

The Board discussed this issue which will require a change in the law and requires legislative action to implement.

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to submit 448.54(4) examination for approval as written. Motion carried unanimously.

2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 615

The Board had a lengthy discussion about the various aspects of AB 615 including grandfathering, competence requirements, referral requirements, code of ethics, discipline and self-reporting. At its next meeting the Board would like to have the forms and the procedures for processing the grandfathering portion of the bill.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(a)(b)(f) and (g) for the purpose of considering a request for full licensure, and a case closing. Motion carried by roll call vote: Otto Cordero-yes, Barbara Flaherty-yes, Laurie Kontney-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session recessed at 10:25 a.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to reconvene in Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session Reconvened at 11:25 a.m.

VOTING ON ITEMS CONSIDERED/DELIBERATED ON IN CLOSED SESSION

REQUEST FOR FULL LICENSURE

TRACY KIENER, PT

MOTION: Otto Cordero moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to reinstate Tracy Kiener to full licensure. Motion carried unanimously.

DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT

MOTION: Laurie Kontney moved, seconded by Barbara Flaherty, to close complaint **96 PHT 007** for prosecutorial discretion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Barbara Flaherty moved, seconded by Laurie Kontney, to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 16, 2002